

29 August 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR: DCI

FROM: Public Affairs

SUBJECT: Newspaper Request for Statement on Admiral Inman

1. [] of the AUSTIN AMERICAN-STATESMAN is writing a background piece on Admiral Inman. He has requested to speak with you on the telephone about Admiral Inman's performance as DDCI. We have cautioned him that the DCI is not in the habit of giving telephone interviews to newspapers. STAT

2. We recommend that you approve our passing him a prepared statement along the lines of the following:

~~Admiral Inman accepted the position of DDCI at the request of the President, who was well aware of Inman's reputation as one of the foremost active duty intelligence officers in the US military. His performance as DDCI was outstanding. His intimate knowledge and understanding of intelligence and his excellent relations throughout the Intelligence Community and with the oversight committees was instrumental in the rebuilding of our country's intelligence capabilities.~~

3. We would suggest that he call the chairmen of the oversight committees for other comments.

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Acting Director, Public Affairs

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Okay to release statement? _____

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